



Public Law 92-81
92nd Congress, S. 485
August 10, 1971

An Act

85 STAT. 302

To amend the Communications Act of 1934 to provide that certain aliens admitted to the United States for permanent residence shall be eligible to operate amateur radio stations in the United States and to hold licenses for their stations.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 303(1) of the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 303(1)) is amended by inserting at the end thereof a new paragraph as follows:

“(3) Notwithstanding paragraph (1) of this subsection, the Commission may issue licenses for the operation of amateur radio stations to aliens admitted to the United States for permanent residence who have filed under section 334(f) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1445(f)) a declaration of intention to become a citizen of the United States: *Provided*, That when an application for a license is received by the Commission, it shall notify the appropriate agencies of the Government of such fact, and such agencies shall forthwith furnish to the Commission such information in their possession as bears upon the compatibility of the request with the national security: *And provided further*, That the requested license may then be granted unless the Commission shall determine that information received from such agencies necessitates denial of the request. Other provisions of this Act and of the Administrative Procedure Act shall not be applicable to any request or application for or modification, suspension, or cancellation of any such license.”

Amateur radio stations.
Operation by aliens, eligibility.
48 Stat. 1082;
78 Stat. 202.
66 Stat. 254.

5 USC 551 et seq.

SEC. 2. Section 310(a) of the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 310(a)) is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new paragraph:

78 Stat. 202.

“Notwithstanding paragraph (1) of this subsection, a license for an amateur radio station may be granted to and held by an alien admitted to the United States for permanent residence who has filed under section 334(f) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1445(f)) a declaration of intention to become a citizen of the United States: *Provided*, That when an application for a license is received by the Commission, it shall notify the appropriate agencies of the Government of such fact, and such agencies shall forthwith furnish to the Commission such information in their possession as bears upon the compatibility of the request with the national security: *And provided further*, That the requested license may then be granted unless the

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Approved August 10, 1971.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

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SENATE REPORT No. 92-133 (Comm. on Commerce).

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